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Attorney Docket No	1875.0480000
First Inventor	Lisa Denney
Title	Method and System for Upstream Priority Lookup at Physical Interference
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

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 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)
Appl. No. To Be Assigned; Filed: Herewith

For: **Method and System for Upstream Priority Lookup at Physical Interface**

Inventors: Lisa Denney *et al.*
Our Ref: 1875.0480000

Sir:

The following documents are being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(c) herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Method and System for Upstream Priority Lookup at Physical Interface

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of:

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- a. A specification containing 23 total pages:
 - a. 17 pages of description prior to any claims;
 - b. 5 pages of claims (33 claims); and
 - c. a one page abstract;
- b. 5 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-5); and
- c. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
3. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) (*in duplicate*); and
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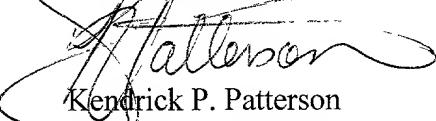
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